



# NEWSLETTER FOR ORGANISERS OF DOCTORAL COURSES

## June 2022

### Courses offered during the autumn of 2022

When the course catalogue for the autumn of 2022 closed on 16 May we had received 2 763 applications. Admission is now ongoing and courses that still have vacancies are continuously published on [the web page](#). If you have spaces left on your course, please send an email to [doctoralcourses@ki.se](mailto:doctoralcourses@ki.se) to have it listed on the web.

If you still haven't carried out admission to your course, please do so asap since any student replies submitted via KIWAS after 16 June will not be transferred to Ladok but need to be handled manually.

See [flowchart for admission](#).

### Be aware of changes regarding eligibility

Please be aware of the changes regarding eligibility for doctoral courses, valid since the spring semester of 2022, which mean that only doctoral students or applicants holding a PhD degree can be admitted to our courses. Applicants waiting for admission to doctoral education can be put on a reserve list in anticipation for the decision to be taken, and later on be admitted to the course once they can show that they are registered as doctoral students.

See [Eligibility and selection for doctoral courses](#).

See instructions to applicants: [Do you have an ongoing application for doctoral education?](#)

### Deadlines for courses to be offered during the spring of 2023

Crucial dates to keep track of if you are planning a course for next spring are now published on the web:

[Deadlines for courses planned for the spring semester of 2023](#).

### Send your requisition of course funding for VT22

For courses that have been granted funding directly from the Course and Programme Committee, remember to send your requisition of funding as soon as possible after completed course evaluation.

[Requisition of funding from the Course and Programme Committee](#)



## NorDoc (Nordic Doctoral Training in Health Sciences)

[NorDoc](#) is a network formed by a number of Nordic universities with the aim to facilitate doctoral training within health sciences, including participation in courses at partner universities free of charge. A database for courses is now under construction.

If you run a course that you have difficulties to fill with only KI doctoral students and postdocs, please contact [Matti Nikkola](#), KI's contact person, to have it advertised in the common database.

Please note, though, that NorDoc applicants/participants are counted as "doctoral students from other universities", i.e. that the economic compensation for as well as the ranking and selection of these applicants is the same as for any other non-KI doctoral student.

An additional opportunity within the NorDoc network is to be able to collaborate with other Nordic universities on organisation of doctoral courses and thereby share both the course costs and the number of doctoral students for whom the course is of interest.

## Cheating during examination

A number of doctoral students have lately been reported to KI's disciplinary board for suspicion of cheating during examination. The consequences for doctoral students (and supervisors) can be severe, with up to six months' suspension from their studies. Examples of what the disciplinary board has considered to be cheating during examination can be found here:

<https://education.ki.se/disciplinary-matters>

As a course provider please inform your course participants that each will be individually assessed. It needs to be crystal clear what is permitted and what not during the examination. Make sure that the instructions are at least in written.

Doctoral students are also informed via the module "Using sources effectively and avoiding plagiarism" in the compulsory introduction course. The introduction is to be taken as early as possible, but not later than one year after starting doctoral education.

## KIWAS to be replaced by a new system

KIWAS, our KI-developed system for doctoral courses is, at the age of 13 years, finally approaching retirement. KI has now signed an agreement with the University of Gothenburg to implement their system FUBAS to handle course syllabi, application and admission for doctoral courses.

According to the preliminary project plan, course providers will start working in the new system during the autumn semester of 2023, in preparation for the spring 2024 course catalogue.



## Course evaluation summary report of 2021

The main conclusion from the summary of all course evaluations from 2021 concerns the comparison with the two previous years; the pre-pandemic year of 2019 and the pandemic year of 2020. The overall result shows basically no differences between these years.

In this year's report the result has been divided per programme for easier comparison and follow-up for the programmes from year to year. The report will be uploaded [on the website](#) within short.

## Exit poll 2021

In the exit poll for 2021, sent to all newly graduated doctors during the year, the doctoral courses show a positive trend, just like the doctoral education as a whole.

For the full report, see [Surveys targeting doctoral education](#).

## Expectations on course analyses

The course analysis is the course director's summary of the course, together with his/her reflections and any changes planned as a result of these.

How such an analysis should be formulated and what to emphasise is now described in more detail on the website, see the subheading [course analysis - the course director's evaluation](#).

Feedback on the course analysis is given by the doctoral programme, the research school or the Course and Programme Committee, depending on source of financing.

## Updated template for the course analysis (programme courses)

The template for course analysis, to be used for courses given within a doctoral programme, has been updated with the following:

- A field to enter the name of the doctoral programme(s)
- A check box to indicate if the course is given in parallel with a master's programme and a text field to indicate the name of the programme.

Please remember to [download the latest version from the web site!](#)



## Educational congress 2022: Continuous learning

Participate in KI's Education Congress 28-29 September 2022, dedicated to the advancement and promotion of quality education.

For programme and registration, see [Educational congress 2022: Continuous learning - Person, Practitioner, Workplace](#). Early bird fees are available until 29 August 2022.

Do you want to share your experiences? See [call for abstracts](#), **no later than 6 June**.

Best wishes for the approaching summer holidays!

Kind regards,

The [Course and Programme Committee](#) through Anna Gustafsson, Administrative Officer.



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